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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Pramod K. Srivastava

Application No.: 09/625,137

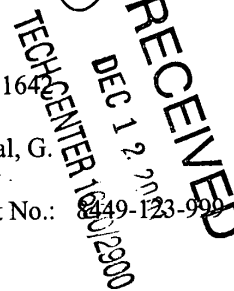
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For: ALPHA (2) MACROGLOBULIN RECEPTOR AS A
HEAT SHOCK PROTEIN RECEPTOR AND USES
THEREOF

Group Art Unit: 164

Examiner: Bansal, G.

Attorney Docket No.: 8449-123-990



RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.142

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2001, in which the Examiner imposed a Restriction Requirement, please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks. Enclosed herewith are: (a) a Petition for Extension of Time for one month from November 1, 2001 up to and including December 1, 2001; and (b) Exhibit A: an appendix of the claims pending upon entry of the amendment made herein.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Cancel claims 24-63, without prejudice.

REMARKS

The Examiner has required an election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of one of the following inventions:

- Group I: Claims 1-23, drawn to a method for identifying a modulator of HSP-alpha-2M receptor mediated process, classified in class 435, subclass 7.1;
- Group II: Claims 24-26, drawn to a method for identifying a modulator of HSP-alpha-2M mediated antigen presentation, classified in class 435, subclass 7.8;
- Group III: Claims 27-30, drawn to a method detecting HSP-alpha-2M related disorder, classified in class 424, subclass 193.1;